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Spc. Amber Leach | Joint Combat Camera Afghanistan

NANGARHAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan — Soldiers serving with Company D, 2nd Battalion, 35th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, "Task Force Bronco," 25th Inf. Division, scan a mountain ridge after receiving enemy fire while conducting a patrol with counterparts of the 6th Afghan National Army Kandak, here, Jan. 17. See more photos on page A-3.

Hawaii-Pacific CFC hits new record for donations

U.S. NAVY LT. THERESA DONNELLY U.S. Pacific Command Public Affairs

HONOLULU — The Hawaii-Pacific Combined Federal Campaign, or CFC, celebrated the end of its a record campaign season with a recognition ceremony, Jan. 13, at the Sunset Lanai located on Camp H.M. Smith, here.

"We accomplished this achievement through hard work by our key people and volunteers and were able to make face-to-face contact and achieve our goals," said Navy Lt. Cmdr. David Koch, U.S. Pacific Command, and this year's CFC project officer. "Without those that went the extra yard and above and beyond their normal duties, we would never have achieved so much for those that need our help."

More than 120 people attended, honoring the people who raised \$6.4 million for 2,700 charities, beating the 2008 CFC donation record of \$6.3 million.

Despite low participation levels with troops deployed, the team's worked to ensure face-toface contact with more than 34,000 donors.

During the campaign, teams assembled 18 kick-off events with 111 speaking opportunities for charities with 1,370 attendees. The PACOMled team conducted 27 training sessions with 110 speaking opportunities for charities with approximately 1,000 agency and unit individuals, who in turn were responsible for training others as well as accountability of pledge cards

Agency and project officers promoted the campaign by web announcements, emails, local newspaper articles, commanders' messages and a Facebook page. Also, the team promot-

ed a newly established online pledging program, resulting in \$660,000 in charity dollars.

Most notable were the efforts of U.S. Army-Pacific. The USARPAC team nearly doubled its contributions from \$543,000 to \$993,473.

Next year, USARPAC will lead the campaign, building on its already successful outreach ef-

"(USARPAC) did a magnificent job," said Gloria Uyehara, executive director, Federal Executive Board. "It really takes all of you who stuck your head in people's offices and accounted for your people, ensuring everyone had the opportunity to help. Thank you so much for your wonderful efforts."

President John F. Kennedy established CFC by Presidential Executive Order in 1961. 2011's campaign ran Oct. 3-Nov. 18.

25th ID remembers legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Story and Photo by SGT. DANIEL K. JOHNSON 2nd Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs, 25th Infantry Division

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Soldiers,

Gym, here, to recall the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a remembrance ceremony, Jan. 17.

"It was a privilege for the 2nd Brigade family members and friends of the 25th In- Combat Team to host an event honoring Dr.

fantry Division gathered at the Martinez Martin Luther King Jr. and his legacy of justice, equality and service to one another, all of which are in line with our Army values," said Maj. Michelle Toyofuku, air defense

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Online PACOM survey needs participants

II.S. PACIFIC COMMAND Public Affairs Office

HONOLULU — Active duty military members and their families can take the new Military Child Education in Hawaii online survey to help examine policies about Hawaii's education experience for military families while stationed here.

Adm. Robert Willard, commander, U.S. Pacific Command, asked active duty service members to consider completing the survey a high priority in an introductory letter to all military leaders.

The study, created by Johns Hopkins University, along with the University of Hawaii, will make recommendations based on parent and children's opinion about their educational experience in

Families who have changed duty stations will also be provided an opportunity to fill out a survey regarding how well their children are prepared to attend schools after the Hawaii school experience.

The survey focuses on the academic quality of schools, expectations for living and going to school in Hawaii, and information about the children's needs for academic and behavioral systems.

"If enough people participate in the survey, we will have strong evidence that can speak to education policies and practices, particularly by branch of service," said Dr. Robert Blum of Johns Hopkins University and director of the study.

Military Child in Hawaii Online Survey Fill out the education survey by visiting:

· www.hawaiikids.org





Lt. Col. Douglas Guttormsen (center), commander, USACE-HD, discusses civil works and regulatory issues with, from left to right, Richard Dodge, 2011-2012 APP vice president, and commissioner, Port of Redwood City, Calif.; Milton Yoshimoto, program manager, CW; and Dave Hunt, executive

USACE-HD partners with **Pacific Ports**

Story and Photo by JOSEPH BONFIGLIO U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-Honolulu District Public Affairs

KAPOLEI — The commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-Honolulu District, recently attended the Association of Pacific Ports' winter conference at the J.W. Marriot's Ihilani Resort Hotel and Spa, here.

Lt. Col. Douglas Guttormsen presented a briefing, the "U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: Your Partner in the Pacific.'

He updated the APP with the latest information on the corps' civil works, navigation and regulatory missions in the Pacific.

Guttormsen's briefing focused on the corps' unique roles and authorities in the region and how port leaders can best partner with the corps by planning far ahead due to the long range nature of civil works and regulatory projects.

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sk the Garrison Commander!

COL. DOUGLAS MULBURY Commander, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii

The "Ask the Garrison Commander" program allows Soldiers, civilians and family members to present concerns and recommend outcomes.

U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii directorates and support staff research queries and provide responses to me, which are monitored by a customer manage-

A sampling of these questions that have communitywide impact are published in the Hawaii Army Weekly.

Submit questions via the Ask the Garrison Commander email address and through the USAG-HI web link at www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/command/cdr.htm. Time-sensitive concerns should be directed to the Interactive Customer Evaluation system at ice.disa.mil.

: At what age are children allowed to walk a younger sibling to school?

: The safety of our children is paramount and the $oldsymbol{A}$ garrison's policy regarding child supervision reflects that sentiment.

Children less than 10 years old cannot be left unsupervised at bus stops, public facilities, residences, in vehicles or recreational areas. They cannot walk to

However, a child over the age of 12 can walk their younger sibling to school, as well as, baby sit for up to

For a full review of USAG-HI Policy 34, "Child Supervision Policy for Army Installations on Hawaii," visit www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil/ and follow the tabs to "Command Publications," and then click on "Policies."

As a reminder, the USAG-HI policy for curfew re-

Mulbury addresses USAG-HI's child supervision policy and gate protocols

quires children 13 years of age and younger to be inside their own, or someone else's quarters, between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. For children ages 14-17, the hours are between 10 p.m. and 5:30 a.m., unless they are under the direct supervision of a parent, guardian or family member 18 years or older.

While we are on the subject of safety, please remember that the use of bicycles, skateboards, scooters, roller or in-line skates are prohibited on any roadway with an authorized speed limit of 20 mph or greater. Their use is also prohibited inside public buildings, on lanais or covered walkways of public buildings, in/on drainage ditches, on sidewalks, or on any roadway portion or other places designated and posted as "No Skateboarding" zones. Also, their use is prohibited on roadways between

sunset and sunrise, and in the Exchange and commissary parking lots during hours of business.

All skateboard riders, scooter riders, roller and inline skaters must wear protective pads on their knees and elbows, shoes covering the entire foot and safe-

: Are the Soldiers manning the gates supposed to salute officers? At first, I thought the policy may have changed, but whenever I enter Marine Corps Base Hawaii I am always saluted, even when in civilian clothes.

: Soldiers have been working the gates alongside ${
m A}$ our Department of the Army civilian guards. As these Soldiers come from different, non-military police units, and rotate on a rather frequent basis, they are often not as knowledgeable of military protocols or sometimes simply fail to follow them as closely as we would like.

The Directorate of Emergency Services will remind all Soldiers working our access control points to follow well-established military protocols and



salute all officers when identified.

Q: I am concerned about the way I'm being treated by the MPs at the Helemano Military Reservation gate. While I am thankful for their taking over gate guard duties, within the last three months I have been pulled over at least six times. Why am I being pulled over so frequently when I have done nothing wrong and have a valid military ID, up-to-date decals and a current vehicle registration?

: Guards at all access control points conduct ran-A dom searches of commercial and privately owned vehicles. While these searches are designed to vary in frequency, they are also conducted on a random basis. Unfortunately, due to the random nature of these checks, some individuals, such as you, may be subjected to more frequent stops, while others may only rarely, if ever, get pulled over.

Please understand, the frequency with which you are being inspected is not necessarily a reflection on you but more likely due to the random manner in which these searches are conducted.

To submit an "Ask the Commander" question, send an email to AskTheCommander.usaghi@us.army.mil. For more information, call Rosie Stone (655-9033) at USAG-HI's Customer Relations Team, or call Aiko Brum (656-3155) at USAG-HI Public Affairs.

FINTSTEPS in FAITH ——

Chaplain asks, who is at the top of your family pyramid?

CHAPLAIN (CAPT.) MARK SEDWICK 65th Engineer Battalion,

130th Eng. Brigade,

8th Theater Sustainment Command

I pray that this week's column finds you happy, healthy and highly motivated to begin another great Army year here in beautiful Hawaii.

I'm sure that many of you may still be suffering from "post-traumatic shopping disorder," which began on Black Friday.

Here at the 65th Engineer Battalion, 130th Eng. Brigade, 8th Theater Sustainment Command, we have enjoyed the great privilege of welcoming many Soldiers back from deployment in the last several months. After a couple of weeks of in-processing and another few weeks of block leave, we typically host multiple marriage enrichment retreats to help our families re-connect after so many months of living apart, and we also reach out to our single Soldiers and help them re-establish good dating habits.

Therefore, my first counsel is to encourage you to let your battalion or brigade chaplain know that you're interested in attending a single Soldier or a marriage retreat.

I want to devote the remainder of this column to a typical stressor for most families — especially during the holidays — that involves managing your relationships with your children and with your extended family members.

Think of your nuclear family (husband, wife and kids) as living inside of a pyramid. If your family believes in God, he resides at the top. You and your spouse live in the middle, and your children reside at the bottom.

Doesn't that sound weird and completely counter-cultural? Don't our children deserve to live at the top of the pyramid? Many families think so, and I have witnessed many parents invert the pyramid by placing their children at the top.

Once their babies leave the nest, 18-22 years later, many husbands and wives discover that they suddenly have nothing in common. The



parents have nothing that binds them together bethey cause have devoted their entire lives to nurturing their children at the expense of meeting each

others' needs.

Unfortunately, many of these same couples suffer the pain of extra-marital affairs (chalked up to a mid-life crisis) and, ultimately, get divorced.

In reality, the concept of placing our children at the bottom of the pyramid doesn't reflect a lack of love on our part nor does it imply that we have selfishly placed ourselves above our children in the family food chain. Instead, we want our children to look up at a mom and dad who model how to love each other and for our believers who place God as the head of their family.

Finally, I want to encourage all of you to keep your moms and dads, brothers and sisters, and all other relatives and friends outside of your pyramid. This method doesn't imply that we don't love our parents, siblings and friends. We just don't love them as much as we do our spouse and children.

Even though our parents love us and want to continue helping us even after we're married, you don't need or want them to penetrate your pyramid's perimeter and start managing your family's intimate details.

Once again, I encourage you to seek out your battalion or brigade chaplain and actively pursue the opportunity to attend a marriage retreat to help enhance your relationship with your spouse.

Garrison plans way ahead

AIKO ROSE BRUM

Chief, Internal Communication, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii Public Affairs

FORT SHAFTER - "We can't do things the way we've always done them," said an attendee at U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii's Strategic Planning Offsite held, here, Jan. 17-19.

"We must be innovative; we must take risks," she added, underscoring what would be the mantra of the strategy session.

Garrison holds a Strategic Planning Offsite each year to produce and/or review its long-term strategic objectives that will guide the installation in the years ahead. USAG-HI aligns its strategic objectives with the Installation Management Command's "Campaign Plan," which outlines six lines of effort,

Col. Douglas Mulbury, commander, USAG-HI, explained LOE activities guide "how we see ourselves" and "the vision for the future." LOEs reflect what's happening on USAG-HI's 22 installations and training areas to accomplish the mission for Army Hawaii community. years 2012-2020.

"The power is in the collective," Mulbury said. "We've got a lot of years of experience here to guide this process."

Seventy-seven directors, branch and division chiefs, subject matter experts and LOE working group members assembled to produce the strategic objectives.

"We owe this review to our 95,000 customers that we serve each day to look at what we're doing well and to look at what can and should improve," Mulbury explained.

Initially, during day one of the offsite, the garrison's most senior leaders discussed USAG-HI's vision, values, strategic advantages and strategic challenges. During the remaining days, the six working groups analyzed their specific LOE for strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, providing a SWOT analysis. The groups then drafted strategic objectives action plans and performance indicators for the way ahead.

"Our focus is on demonstrable action outcomes and broad categories that will reflect the values of our organization," said Jennifer Mootz, chief, Plans, Analysis, and Integration Office and

Where will we be in 10 years? Photos by Tripler Army Medical Center Public Affairs

offsite coordinator. "To continue and sustain (our current operational tempo) will be harder in the future, but our plan must be consistent with our organization's values. "We don't want to decrease the

quality of our services," Mootz continued. "We want to do the right things for our customers."

The LOE working groups considered opera-



tions; discussed available resources of time, money, personnel, equipment and expertise; and then developed action plans to describe the tac-

tics needed to

achieve future success. Also, working groups kept in mind how they will need to communicate objectives and key messages to Soldiers, their family members and civilians in the U.S.

Everyone wants to know how they fit into the scheme of things," said Mulbury, about the way ahead.

Individual working groups are now meeting periodically to fine-tune their plans.

According to Jim Duttweiler, deputy commander, USAG-HI, all LOE working groups will reassemble at the end of February and in early March to review the strategic plan and finalize performance measures that will gauge the success of each of their strategic objectives.

The PAIO will compile the final strategic plan and deploy it, in various formats, to the community and the garrison workforce.

IMCOM's Lines of Effort

- 1. Soldier, family and civilian
- 2. Soldier, family and civilian well-being 3. Leader and workforce
- development 4. Installation readiness
- 5. Safety
- 6. Energy and water efficiency and security







"I hope to be 10 years younger and to look 20 years younger."

Tony Crisostomo Department of Pathology,



"I think our entire lives will be lived over the



limited to no hard currency."

"(We) will be

1st Lt. Mark Preston Co. A, Troop Command,



15, iPhone 20 and Andrew Luck will be the NFL's most dominant quarterback. 1st Lt.

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Sgt. Trey Harvey | Joint Combat Camera Afghanistan

KUNAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan — Pfc. Brian Balfe (left), 2nd Bn., 35th Inf. Regt., 3rd BCT, "TF Bronco," 25th ID, plays a game with local Afghan children, here, Jan. 14,. The objective of the mission was to talk with the local population and deny insurgents freedom of movement.



Sgt. Trey Harvey | Joint Combat Camera Afghanistan

KUNAR PROVINCE, Afghanistan — Spc. Gerald Schumacher (left), 2nd Bn., 35th Inf. Regt., 3rd BCT, "TF Bronco," 25th ID, interacts with an Afghan child during a patrol in the Mulkanah village, here, Jan. 14.



Spc. Amber Leach | Joint Combat Camera Afghanistan

NANGARHAR PROVINE, Afghanistan — Pfc. Robert Devine, Co. D, 2nd Bn., 35th Inf. Regt., 3rd BCT, "TF Bronco," 25th ID, provides security after receiving enemy fire while patrolling a village, here, Jan. 17.

25th ID: Soldiers pay homage

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artillery officer, 2nd BCT.

The observance began with an invocation and singing of the national anthem. Cpl. Sawyer Stubbe, 2nd Squadron, 14th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd BCT, then read the 2012 Presidential Proclamation of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. federal holiday

In the proclamation, President Barrack Obama wrote, "Today, Dr. King is memorialized in the National Mall where he once spoke, a symbol of how far our nation has come and a testament to the quiet heroes whose names may never appear in history books, but whose selflessness brought about change few thought possible."

"His example stirred men and women of all backgrounds to become foot soldiers for justice, and his leadership gave them the courage to refuse the limitations of the day and fight for the prospect of tomorrow," Stubbe said.

"At the age of 35, Dr. King was the youngest man to receive the Nobel Peace Prize for his work to end racial segregation and discrimination through civil disobedience and other nonviolent means."

Sgt. Savannah Hyatt, Company C, 225th Bde. Support Battalion, 2nd BCT, echoed the sentiment with her rendition of Maya Angelou's "Still I Rise."

The poem stresses the importance of strength in everyday life, an ideal very important in today's military, both deployed and at home.

Following Hyatt's rendition, Chaplain (Capt.) Terrell Byred, 225th BSB, read Dr. King's 1964 Nobel Peace Prize acceptance

Before concluding the observance, Spc. Marissa Flanigan-Lee, 2nd Bn., 11th Field Artillery Regiment, delivered a moving rendition of "His Eyes on the Sparrow."

"Let us remember Dr. King's legacy by honoring our fellow man with service



Sgt. Savannah Hyatt (right), combat medic, Co. C, 225th BSB, 2nd BCT, 25th ID, recites Maya Angelou's "Still I Rise," in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Jan. 17.

each and every day. Let us devote our free time to helping someone in need," Stubbe said. "Let us continue to lift each other up as Dr. King wanted."

8th TSC gets back to basics

SGT. GAELEN LOWERS

8th Theater Sustainment Command Public Affairs

 $FORT\,SHAFTER-When \,new\,recruits\,go\,through\,the\,Army's\,basic\,training,\,they\,learn\,that\,their\,job\,in\,the\,Army\,is\,being\,a\,Soldier.$

Maj. Gen. Michael J. Terry, commander, 8th Theater Sustainment Command, has implemented a program to help the Soldiers within his command get back to the basics of being a Soldier.

According to a memorandum from Terry, the Junior

According to a memorandum from Terry, the Junior Leader Certification program's philosophy states the most enduring impact on someone, as a leader today, is the development of future leaders.

"We must ensure our junior leaders are given the

tools they need to lead our formations through the challenges of full-spectrum operations in an era of persistent conflict," states Terry's memo. "The 8th TSC Junior Leader Certification program requires junior leaders be trained and certified in basic skills, and subordinate units identify additional requirements that focus on specific military occupational specialty skills required for junior leaders."

As part of the certification, 8th TSC Soldiers will complete all of the warrior tasks: shooting, moving, communicating, adapting and surviving; counseling subordinates; being certified as a combat lifesaver; becoming certified in level one combatives; and com-

"Soldiers expect that their officers and noncommissioned officers strive to train hard, work smart and take care of them."

Lt. Col. Matthew Goodman Commander, 8th STB, 8th TSC

Commander, our STB, our TSC

pleting a 12-mile foot march with a rucksack in less than four hours.

Also, junior leaders will complete a four-mile run in less than 36 minutes, which Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 8th Special Troops Battalion, 8th TSC, completed Jan. 18.

"As part of Terry's Junior Leader Certification program, we will conduct at least one four-mile timed run a month, throughout the year," said 1st Sgt. Zelon Odom, first sergeant, HHC, 8th STB. "Terry wants us to get back to the basics. He wants to see professional growth and high performance from his leaders."

"Our organization will improve by seeking and executing training for our leaders that will allow them to grow professionally, while progressing towards collective and multi-echelon events that enable the battalion to take its next big steps to becoming the best at what it does," wrote Lt. Col. Matthew Goodman, commander, 8th STB, in a memorandum about the Junior Leaders Certification program.

"Soldiers expect that their officers and noncommissioned officers strive to train hard, work smart and take care of them," Goodman concluded. We will remain focused on these areas to provide the leadership and training they deserve. We remain 'always ready' and committed to meet the demands of the 8th TSC in full-spectrum challenges across the Pacific Theater."

Wounded warrior tells 2nd BCT to stay 'Lightning Strong'

Story and Photo by SGT. DANIEL K. JOHNSON 2nd Brigade Combat Team Public Affairs. 25th Infantry Division

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS - Resiliency, an important characteristic for any warrior, was the focus of a discussion at the Nehelani, here, Jan. 11.

Col. Gregory Gadson, director, U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program and a former member of the 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, spoke to Soldiers, noncommis-

"Being a Soldier was not defined by me having my legs or not having my legs. What was in my heart and what was in my mind is what made me a Soldier."

- Col. Gregory Gadson

Director, U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program

sioned officers and officers of 2nd Battalion, 11th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd BCT, about his experiences.

His experiences include having both of his legs amputated above the knee after being struck by an improvised explosive device during a 2007 deployment.

Before Gadson served his country, he played

football for Indian River High School in Chesapeake, Va., and for the U.S. Military Academy. Gadson graduated from West Point in 1989 and has served multiple combat tours including Bosnia, Afghanistan and Iraq.

"Your capacity to expand and deal with the unknown or unplanned" is how Gadson defined resiliency to the "Warriors" in attendance at the

"Resiliency should be trained and tested before it is needed to ensure that, when needed, it is available. Resilience is not something you want to find out you have or don't have when you're faced with adversity," Gadson explained.

"All too often many of us find out what our resiliency is when we're faced with unexpected adversity," he said.

The Army's Comprehensive Soldier Fitness Program, or "Lightning Strong," as it's called in the 25th ID, is designed specifically to ensure total Soldier fitness, to include resiliency.

"Every day we have an opportunity to live up to being the best that we can be," Gadson said. "Everything you do has purpose."

Though resiliency can be related to all of the Army's values, integrity, in particular, can be an excellent way to practice resiliency, Gadson said.

Soldiers have to do the right thing all the time, Gadson said. It shouldn't be something that is only done when their supervisor is watching.

From workouts during (physical training) to instruction in a classroom," Gadson said, "you've got to have an attitude that says 'I'm going to do this to the best of my ability.""

Some skills can aid in resiliency and allow some-



Col. Gregory Gadson (right), director, U.S. Army Wounded Warrior Program, speaks to Soldiers with 2nd Bn., 11th FA Regt., 2nd BCT, 25th ID, Jan. 11, at the Nehelani, Schofield Barracks. Gadson spoke of resiliency and how it can help people make it through hard times. Gadson had both of his legs amputated above the knee after being struck by an IED during a 2007 deployment to Iraq.

one to push farther and harder than they would otherwise. For example, Gadson said looking for the positive aspect of a situation, however remote, can allow a person to see past the negative aspects and strive to achieve their goals.

"Hunt the good stuff," he said. "The way you approach and think about things can influence your ability to push."

Hunting the good stuff became a habit for Gadson. Even though he lost both of his legs, he could

still be a Soldier, and he knew he had the support of his family, friends and colleagues to help him through his recovery.

"Being a Soldier was not defined by me having my legs or not having my legs," Gadson said. "What was in my heart and what was in my mind is what made me a Soldier.'

According to Gadson, how you perform, lead and motivate yourself and those around you is what defines you as a leader and a Soldier.

News Briefs

Send announcements for Soldiers and civilian employees to community@ hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

31 / Tuesday

Retention Policy - Soldiers with an expiration time of service date, or ETS, of Sept. 30 or earlier need to re-enlist by Jan. 31. The 90-day window still applies and no exceptions will be made.

Soldiers with an estimated time of service, or ETS, date that falls in fiscal year 2013 (Oct. 1-Sept. 30, 2013) will be notified after Army guidance and policy have been re-

Exceptions for Soldiers with a fiscal year ETS date to re-enlist are provided on a caseby-case basis for deployed Soldiers.

Call Master Sgt. John Stiles, Retention Operations, U.S. Army-Pacific, at 438-1123 or your resident retention office for more details.

February

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Blended Learning Meeting — Parents of third- and fourth-graders can learn more about Hale Kula Elementary School's blended learning initiative pilot program for school year 2012-2013, 8 a.m. or 6 p.m., Feb. 2, in the Hale Kula cafeteria. RSVP at http://goo.gl/wsskj.

21 / Tuesday

AFCEA Luncheon — The Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association buffet luncheon is 11 a.m., Feb. 21, at the Hale Ikena, Fort Shafter. Make reservations at www.afceahawaii.org or call 441-8524.

USACE: Hawaii is a prime location

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"Outreach and cooperative planning with the public and various stakeholders, including the corps, is the key to ensuring a successful project," Guttormsen said.

According to Guttormsen, USACE and the APP have a common purpose.

"There's a lot of synergy in the services that each of our organizations provides," he said.

According to David Hunt, director, APP, the corps' unique expertise and experience in infrastructure investments were invaluable for con-

"We come to Hawaii because of its central location and the fact that it depends on maritime commerce," Hunt said. "Hawaii and other Pacific islands cannot function without maritime comthe assistance of (USACE).

"I thought that Lt. Col. Guttormsen had it right this morning when he talked about the partnership between the corps and ports because it is so critical," Hunt added.

"Unless there is a regular dredging and (unless) regular maintenance and jetties are maintained, there won't be effective access in and out of ports, and without that, nothing in Hawaii or the whole Pacific region functions," Hunt concluded.

The APP brings together leaders from ports and businesses from across the Pacific to build partnerships and share best practices. Leaders learn what is working and what isn't as ports throughout the Pacific face similar challenges in different environments.

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400M RUBBER RUNNING TRACK

3 SOFTBALL FIELDS, WITH LIGHTING AND SEATING

As depicted in this plan, the renovated Stoneman Field complex at Schofield Barracks will include three lighted softball fields and a fitness trail with workout stations, among other improvements.

Stoneman Field complex to receive major upgrades

VANESSA LYNCH

SOCCER/FOOTBALL FIELD,

WITH LIGHTING AND SEATING

News Editor

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — The Stoneman Field complex, here, is undergoing a major \$9.1 million renovation.

Demolition of the Stoneman Softball Field, Gimlet Field and Stoneman Stadium, here, are scheduled to begin in March, to make way for a new athletic complex.

When completed, Stoneman's fields will all be new and another softball field and other amenities will be added.

Demo work and construction of the new facilities are projected to be completed in January 2013. This non-appropriated fund construction project, which replaces antiquated athletic

venues, was initiated in late 1980, redesigned a number of times and finally funded in fiscal year 2010.

"It is unfortunate that the demolition phase of this project interfered with Child, Youth and School Services' sports, but the demolition phase of this project must begin due to funding availability and fiscal year execution requirements," said Col. Douglas Mulbury, commander, U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii. "The end results, however, will be a much-improved and modern facility for everyone."

According to Terence Park, Sports, Fitness and Aquatics Branch, Community Recreation Division, Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation, USAG-HI, amenities will include

Army Sports Program

Call DFMWR's Sports Office at 655-9654 or visit:

•www.himwr.com.



three lighted softball fields; a lighted soccer/football field, with a 400-meter rubber track; a fitness trail around the perimeter of the complex with eight workout stations; and restrooms.

USAG-HI's Sports, Fitness and Aquatics office will be located in complex.

'Drivers, start your engines!

The ride of your life

Try something different - strap on a racing helmet, put the pedal to the medal and race around one of the island's racetracks:

Indoor go-karts

•Podium Raceway is located at 91-1085 Lexington St. in Kapolei. Call 682-7223 or visit www.podiumraceway.com.

Outdoor box car racing •Race World Hawaii is a gravity-powered raceway located at 94-711 Kupuna Lp. in Waipahu. Call 382-5653 or visit www.boxcarracing.org.

military discount and a free 14-lap race for new members.

Story and Photos by LANCE CPL. MATTHEW CALLAHAN Hawaii Marine

KAPOLEI — Looking to break away from relaxed and easy-going recreational activities the island has to offer?

Take a ride on "Hawaii's fast Lane" at Oahu's high-speed go-kart facility at Podium Raceway, here.

Toting an indoor racetrack with electric karts that scream at 45 mph, Podium Raceway offers an approach to go-karts

more on par with real world racing which you won't find karting at a child-oriented theme park. Top speeds, revolutions per

minute and best lap times are all documented electronically to provide an in-depth look into performance on the track. Comparing scores and speeds offers an addictive competitive atmosphere to improve your racing skills.

At the end of the month, racers who complete the best lap times are invited back to the Podium Raceway to participate in a complimentary race for bragging rights among the tracks' regulars.

Before getting behind the wheel, racers must sign a waiver and complete personal profiles at computer terminals prior to racing. Once a racer's information is in the system, they are displayed on widescreen televisions in the observation area. Participants can watch the races or play in a video arcade while waiting for their turn to hit the pavement. Monitors display upcoming heats and previous race results including best lap times and finishing places.

"Everything we do here revolves around a passion for racing," said Kahlle Stardiford, sales director for the raceway. "Everything in Hawaii is focused on the outdoors. We bring something fun and different and people

are excited about it." A state-of-the-art facility requires strict safety rules to be enforced ensuring the

protection and

maximum

enjoyment of everyone who participates.

New drivers are given a detailed safety brief about rules and regulations while racing including flag rules, operation of the vehicles and guidelines to avoid collisions and promote proper racing etiquette.

The karts are remotely controlled, allowing the operator to disengage all the karts in the event of an accident or violation of safety procedures.

Whether you're planning a birthday party, social event or looking for a thrilling weekend activity, Podium Race-



Racers throw up the shaka before starting their race. New drivers are briefed on the rules and safety regulations before they can begin racing, something that Podium Raceway prioritizes to make sure everyone stays safe.

way is an excellent place to start. The raceway offers a 10 percent military discount and a free 14-lap race for new members.

See you on the circuit.

(Editor's Note: This feature article originally appeared in the Jan. 13 edition of the Hawaii Marine newspaper. You can access the Hawaii Marine at www.mcbh.usmc.mil/news/news.htm.)

COMMUNITY

worship Services

Additional religious services, children's programs, educational services and contact informa-

www.garrison.hawaii.army.mil. (Click on "Religious Support Office" under the "Directorates

Aliamanu Chapel

Helemano Chapel

Main Post Chapel,

Schofield Barracks

Schofield Barracks

Medical Center Chapel

Pearl Harbor Soldiers' Chapel,

WAAF: Wheeler Army Airfield

TAMC: Tripler Army

Chapel

•First Sunday, 1 p.m. at FD

•Thursday, 9 a.m. at AMR

·Saturday, 5 p.m. at TAMC,

•Fourth Sunday, 1 p.m. at MPC

Buddhist Services

Catholic Mass

Aloha Jewish Chapel,

Fort DeRussy Chapel

and Support Staff" menu).

tion can be found at

AMR:

FD:

HMR:



Today

Hawaiian Luau Lunch Buffet - Every last Friday of the month, enjoy the Hawaiian luau lunch buffet for \$10.95 per person at Hale Ikena, Fort Shafter; or Kolekole Bar and Grill, Schofield Barracks. Call 438-1974 or 655-4466.

Saturday / 28

Cosmic Bowling — Cosmic Bowling starts at 3 p.m., Saturdays and 1 p.m., Sundays, at the Fort Shafter Bowling Center. Cosmic Bowling at the Schofield Bowling Center starts at 10 p.m., Fridays; 8 p.m., Saturdays; and 6 p.m., Sundays. Call 438-6733 for Fort Shafter's Bowling Center or 655-0573 for Schofield Barracks' Bowling Center.

29 / Sunday

NFL Pro Bowl — Watch the game on a large blow-up screen, enjoy food specials and compete for prizes in an all-adult atmosphere, Jan. 29 at the Tropics Warrior Zone, Schofield Barracks. Admission is free; doors open at 11 a.m. Call 655-5698.

Pro BOWLing Party — Watch the Pro Bowl at 2 p.m., Jan. 29, at the Fort Shafter Bowling Center. Enjoy bowling, food, and drink specials from 1-8 p.m. Bowl for \$1.50 per game. Shoe rental is \$1.75 for military personnel and \$2 for civilians. Call 438-6733.

30 / Monday

Free Hula Classes — The Native Hawaiian Liaison Office, USAG-HI, welcomes all Soldiers and families to participate in free hula classes. Beginner classes are 5-6 p.m.; advanced classes are 6-7 p.m. Call 655-9694 or email nhliaison@gmail.com.

Classes are held the following days and locations:

•Mondays, Kalakaua Community Center, Schofield Barracks.

•Tuesdays, AMR Community Cen-

31 / Tuesday

Great Aloha Run — Register by Jan. 31 for this annual event in Honolulu that takes place Feb. 20. Cost is \$15 for active duty and \$30 for all others. Active duty military units can participate in the Sounds of Freedom composed of units running in formation. This division is not timed but maximum participation is rewarded. Call the SOF coordinator at 655-0856 or email richard.kam@us.army.mil to participate.

Individual military entrants line

Community Calendar

Send announcements a week prior to

publication to community@

hawaiiarmyweekly.com.

28 / Saturday

Pearl Harbor — The Battleship

Missouri Memorial is offering free

admission to kamaaina and military

personnel, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Jan. 28. The

event celebrates the 68th anniversary

of the USS Missouri's launching and

13th anniversary of the ship's open-

ing as a memorial in Pearl Harbor.

The celebration includes band per-

formances, educational demonstra-

tions and a free battleship birthday

Pass" is valid for all active duty,

retired military personnel and

military family mem-

bers with valid De-

IDs, as well as all

Hawaii residents

with a Hawaii driv-

er's licenses. For indi-

viduals without base access,

shuttle bus service from the Pearl

Harbor Visitor Center will be avail-

able. Visit www.ussmissouri.com.

29 / Sunday

lion dance to welcome the Year of the

Year of the Dragon — A Chinese

complimentary roundtrip

partment of Defense

party giveaway. The free "Mighty Mo



 $\textbf{Donna Klapakis} \,|\, 599 \text{th Transportation Brigade Public Affairs}$

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Clayton Maciorowski (black uniform), information technology specialist, 599th Transportation Brigade, goes up for two points during a game between the 599th Trans. Bde.'s, Koa Kokua team and Company B, 307th Expeditionary Signal Battalion, 516th Sig. Bde., 311th Sig. Command's Big Dawgs at Martinez Gym, here, Jan. 19. Big Dawgs won, 54-23.

up with the rest of the public on race day. There are prizes for the top three military male and female runners.

Individual runners can call 528-7388, visit www.mwrarmyhawaii.com, or www.greataloharun.com.

February

1 / Wednesday

Texas Hold 'em - Test your poker playing skills at Texas Hold em Feb. 1 at the Hale Ikena, Fort Shafter; and Feb. 2 at the Tropics Warrior Zone, Schofield Barracks. Enjoy great food and drink specials all while playing for prizes. Call 438-1974.

Men and Women's Volleyball — Entry deadline is Feb. 1 for men's and women's beach volleyball and men's floor volleyball entry deadline is Feb. 1. Entry deadline is March 1 for women's floor volleyball. Call 655-0856.

3 / Friday

Right Arm Night — Celebrate Mardi Gras early with drink specials and an all-you-can-eat New Orleansstyle buffet, Feb. 3, Hale Ikena, Fort Shafter. Play in the Texas Hold 'em tournament for prizes. Purchase tickets at Hale Ikena; \$5 in advance or \$8 at the door. This is an adult only event. Call 438-1974.

4 / Saturday

Ladies Golf Clinic — Every first Saturday of the month, Leilehua Golf Course at Schofield Barracks holds a free ladies golf clinic, 1-3 p.m. Call 655-4653.

Saturday Night Spotlight — Listen to old school soul jams, 10 p.m., Feb. 4 at Kolekole Bar and Grill, Schofield Barracks. Open to 18 and over only. Call 655-4466 or 655-0660.

5 / Sunday

Adventure Surfing — Surf with Schofield Barracks' Outdoor Recreation, 6:30-11:30 a.m., Feb. 5, Cost is \$48. To register, call 655-0143.

Super Bowl XLVI Party — Watch the game, 11 a.m., Feb. 5, at the Tropics Warrior Zone, Schofield Barracks, while enjoying food and beverage specials, football block pool, prizes and more. Entry is free. Call 655-5698. Tropics Warrior Zone is an 18 and older facility.

7 / Tuesday

Magic Show — Experience an evening of mystery, fantasy and comedy with family-friendly magician Mark Allen Mauricio, Feb. 7, at the Nehelani, Schofield Barracks. Enjoy the all-you-can-eat buffet. Cost is \$20; keiki 10 and under are \$12. Blue Star Card holders get preferred seating. Call 655-4466 or 655-0660.

Ongoing

Family Library — Army Community Service's Family Advocacy Program at Schofield Barracks has consolidated libraries for both New Parent Support and the Exceptional Family Member Program into one parenting-skills lending library for military families. Call the New Parent Support Program at 655-4787.

Free Auto Skills Class Spouses of deployed Soldiers can learn how to check their vehicle's oil, fluids and tire pressure. Schedule an appointment at the Fort Shafter Auto Skills Center by calling 438-9402.

No-Show Policy — Blue Star Card holders who register for an event and can't attend need to cancel their reservation by noon the day before the event. Without cancellation, BSC holders will be considered no-shows. Email amanda.p.montgomery@ us.army.mil.

WAAF and FD Sunday services: - 8:30 a.m. at AMR •Monday-Friday, 11:45 a.m. at

Annex

-10:30 a.m. at MPC Annex -11 a.m. at TAMC

MPC and 12 p.m.TAMC

Gospel Worship

•Sunday, noon. at MPC

•Sunday, 12:30 p.m. at AMR

Islamic Prayers and Study •Friday, 1 p.m. at MPC Annex

•Friday, 2:30 p.m., TAMC •Saturday and Sunday, 5:30 a.m.; 6, 7 and 8 p.m. at MPC Annex

Jewish Shabbat (Sabbath) •Monday, 6 p.m. at PH (Bible

Study) •Friday, 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, 8:15 a.m. at PH

Pagan (Wicca) •Friday, 7 p.m. at MPC Annex

Protestant Worship

Sunday Services

-9 a.m. at FD, MPC and TAMC chapels -9 a.m. at WAAF chapel, Lutheran/Episcopalian -10 a.m. at HMR

-10:30 a.m. at AMR

Single Soldiers' Bible Study Wednesday, 11:30 a.m. at SC; lunch is provided.

Worship Service •Sunday, 6 p.m. at SC.

This Week at the

Call 624-2585 for movie stings or go to aafes.com under reeltime movie listing.



Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows

(PG13) Fri., Jan. 27, 7 p.m. Sat., Jan. 28, 7 p.m.

The Muppets

(PG) Sat., Jan. 28, 4 p.m.

Happy Feet Two

(PG) Sun., Jan. 29, 2 p.m.

New Year's Eve

(PG-13) Wed., Feb. 1, 7 p.m.

Real Steel

(PG-13)

Thurs., Feb. 2, 7 p.m.

Sgt. Smith Theater at Schofield Barracks is now open for movies. No shows on Mondays or Tuesdays.

Dragon will be presented at the Pearl City Public Library, 3 p.m., Jan. 29, at the Pearl City Public Library, 1138 Waimano Home Rd. This free program will be conducted in the adult reading section. Keiki and their parents are invited to join in the festivities and "feed" the lion for good luck in 2012. All keiki must be accompanied by a parent or caregiver. This onehour program is suitable for all ages.

February

2 / Thursday

Blended Learning Program – Parents of third- and fourthgraders are invited to find out more information about Hale Kula's blended learning pilot program for school year 2012-2013, which is funded by a Department of Defense Educational Activity grant, Feb. 2, 8 a.m. or 6

p.m., Hale Kula Cafeteria. RSVP at http://goo.gl/wsskJ.

3/ Friday

Punahou Carnival — Keiki will enjoy this event, 11 a.m.-11 p.m., Feb. 3-4, at the Punahou School, at 1601 Punahou St., Honolulu. Admis-

sion to the grounds is free; tickets costing are 50 cents each are available for purchase throughout the midway. Fresh malasadas; kiddie games and rides; and live musical entertainment are among the many treats. Limited parking on campus. Paid parking is available at the Lutheran Church of Honolulu; Central Union Church; Maryknoll High School; Punahou Fitness and Spa; and St. Clement's Episcopal Church. The carnival is also accessible by city buses 4, 5 or 18. Call 944.5751 or email lichimura@punahou.edu.

Ongoing

Scholarships for Military Children - Applications for the 2012 Scholarships for Military Children program are available through Feb. 24 at commissaries and at www.commiss aries.com or www.militaryscholar.org. The program awards at least one \$1,500 scholarship to a student at each commissary. To be eligible for a scholarship, the student must have a current military ID card and be an unmarried child - no older than 21, or 23 if enrolled as a full-time student at a college or university - of a service member on active duty, Reserve, National Guard, a retiree, a survivor of a military member who died while on active duty or a survivor of a retiree.

Commissary Gift Vouchers — Gift vouchers can be purchased to help military families in need or to just give the gift of groceries to single Soldiers. Gift vouchers are available in \$25 denominations. Anyone, civilian or military, can purchase them, but only authorized shoppers can redeem them. Find vouchers at commissary customer service areas, cash offices and from cashiers at the full-service checkout.

Operation Kid Comfort — This program is designed for children with a deployed parent. Children under the age of 6 are given a quilt and children 7 and above receive a pillow. Armed Services YMCA volunteers and staff

receive photos from the recipient's family and assemble them into a quilt or pillow. Interested families should contact the Pearl Harbor ASYMCA at 473-3398 or email pearharbor@asymcahi.org.

Parent Participation Preschool — This program is designed for children ages 3-4 to help get them ready for kindergarten. The Armed Services YMCA also provides respite care for any siblings not attending the class. Classes are held 9-11 a.m., Monday-Thursday. Two days a week is \$40 a month, four days a week is \$60 a month. Call 624-5645 or email wheeler@asymcahi.org.

Food for Families — Armed Services YMCA emergency food locker is available to families who are experiencing financial difficulty and could use some extra assistance. It generally has a supply of canned goods, frozen food, dry goods and personal

care items. The food pantry is available 8 a.m.-3 p.m. and after hours by appointments only. Visit Building 122, 1262 Santos Dumont Ave., WAAF. Call 624-5645 or email wheeler@asymcahi.org.

AFTB: Army Family Team Building **Calendar abbreviations** 8th TSC: 8th Theater Sustainment

Command 25th ID: 25th Infantry Division ACS: Army Community Service AFAP: Army Family Action Plan AMR: Aliamanu Military Reservation BCT: Brigade Combat Team BSB: Brigade Support Battalion Co.: Company CYSS: Child, Youth and School Services EFMP: Exceptional Family Member Program FMWR: Family and Morale, Welfare and

Recreation FRG: family readiness group HMR: Helemano Military Reservation IPC: Island Palm Communities SKIES: Schools of Knowledge, Inspiration, Exploration and Skills

TAMC: Tripler Army Medical Center USAG-HI: U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii WAAF: Wheeler Army Airfield

Progress made on local AFAP issues

Story and Photo by VICKEY MOUZÉ Managing Editor

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Status updates on community issues raised at the fiscal year 2012 Hawaii Army Family Action Plan Conference were presented to U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii leadership, here.

During the AFAP conference, two work-groups reviewed community issues ranging from security to community services.

Each of the workgroups then selected its top issues and presented recommendations to senior leaders and subject matter experts

Status updates follow:

Issue: No recreation center at Fort Shafter for single Soldiers.

•Provide a multipurpose morale, welfare and recreation facility on Fort Shafter similar to the Tropics Warrior Zone, here.

Recommended status: Active. Community Recreation Division; Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation; USAG-HI, is working with the Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program, or BOSS, to establish viability of a program at Fort Shafter.

Issue: A viable teen establishment.

•Use the Teen Board through the Teen Center to implement and create appealing, age-appropriate activities for military family members ages 13-18.

•Develop a safe and healthy environment for teenagers to congregate and interact in an appropriate manner. This issue can be resolved by extending the hours of operation on Saturday and during school breaks until 10 p.m.

•Provide multiple shuttle transportation system throughout each military installation to the closest teen center.

Recommended status: Active. Child, Youth and School Services, DFMWR, will follow up to find out the results of changes in hours. Also, additional shuttle service has increased teen use of program.

Issue: Nutrition and equipment for Teen Center.

•Provide a healthy yet sustainable snack that could be prepared by teens involved in the Cooking Club.

•Create a separate menu for middle/high school teens that is suitable for their age group based on their input.

•Authorize facilities to purchase adequate food preparation equipment to prepare their own snacks.

Recommended status: Active. CYSS will follow up with results of the survey conducted by the Teen Board to provide input to the menu se-

Issue: No coin-operated laundry on Schofield Barracks or Wheeler Army

•Provide an Exchange-managed, coin-operated laundry facility on Schofield Barracks or Wheeler Army Airfield.

•Supply an adequate amount of standard-sized and industrial strength

washers and dryers.

Recommended status: Active. The Exchange and the Directorate of Public Works, USAG-HI, will develop a cost analysis for water and location of potential service.

Issue: Security in off-post housing communities.

•Designate privatized off-post housing communities as military installations and afford them the same level of security as on-post housing.

•Install automated security access gates with video monitoring for all privatized off-post housing communities.

•Increase roving patrols and use as random access measures in off-post housing communities.

Recommended status: Active.



Delegates at the FY 2012 AFAP Conference at Schofield Barracks review issues and recommendations submitted by community members. USAG-HI hosted the conference. AFAP is an Armywide program that improves the quality of life for Soldiers, family members, retirees and civilians.

Issue: Accessibility to family members' immunization records.

•Improve the timeliness by which family members' medical information (to include immunizations) is updated/uploaded into the Armed Forces Health Longitudinal Technology Application, or AHLTA.

•Ensure that paper records and AHLTA are updated during in-processing and out-processing.

•Enable Soldiers and spouses to view and print their minor dependents' needed records (immunization record and physicals) online, like the Medical Protection System, or MEDPROS, on Army Knowledge Online, or AKO.

Recommended status: Closed. Tripler Army Medical Center's Patient Administration Division's standard for providing a copy of a requested medical record is a maximum of 30 days. However, PAD can sometimes provide a one-page document immediately.

Issue: Commissary on Schofield Barracks is inadequate.

•Require Schofield Barracks Commissary to inspect ID cards at the door and check-

out for commissary privileges, to limit access and only allow one guest per military ID card holder with commissary privileges over the age of 18.

•Reduce the number of special category personnel (non-handicap) parking spaces and clearly mark all exits doors in the commissary.

•Expand or build a new commissary on Schofield

Barracks that can adequately serve the current/projected population.

Recommended status: Closed. This issue has been resolved since the commissary began checking military ID cards at the door and at check-out, Jan. 2. Authorized patrons will be allowed two guests per ID card holder with commissary privileges over the age of 18.

The following issues have been sent to Headquarters, Department of the Army for

consideration at the Armywide AFAP Conference: Child care for special needs children, providing a child victim advocate, and unaccompanied military family members' travel on air mobility command fights to a medical treatment facility from outside the continental U.S.

AFAP improves communities

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — The AFAP Conference held, here, is just one of many AFAP conferences held annually throughout the Army.

AFAP gives all members of the Army family a chance to change and improve community issues.

Each year, family members throughout the Army identify, develop and prioritize community issues that are presented at installationlevel AFAP conferences.

Issues that can be resolved at the installation level are assigned to the office that has responsibility for the issue. Potential solutions are then developed. Installation AFAP steering committees then review issues and monitor them until they are resolved.

Issues beyond the scope of an installation commander, which require a higher level of authority, go forward to the issue's respective major command. U.S. Army-Pacific is the MA-COM for U.S. Army Garrison-Hawaii, where the process is repeated.

Issues that can't be resolved at the MACOM level are then forwarded to the Department of the Army. There, issues will either be identified as active, completed or unattainable. Results are published and distributed Armywide.

Hui club seeks applicants for scholarships, welfare grants

ALICIA PARTRIDGE Hui O Na Wahine

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS — Applications are due March 15 and 22 for the Schofield Barracks Hui O Na Wahine all-ranks spouses club's annual welfare grants and scholarships.

The funds for these awards are generated through Hui fundraisers and the Hui Thrift Shop.

Awards provide recognition of academic and/or community dedication. Last year, more than \$130,000 was awarded to more than 10 scholarship recipients and 31 welfare recipients.

"The Thrift Shop is having a great year, and we hope to raise and give away more money in awards this spring," said Jennifer Kelling, president, Hui O Na Wahine. Scholarships are available for high

school seniors or adult Hui members and family members who are continuing their education. High school seniors must be an immediate family member of a Hui member in good standing.

They must be a graduating high school senior or have graduated within the past two years and haven't yet attended college, business or trade school. Adult Hui members and family members must be active Hui members in good standing.

Both high school seniors and Hui members must attend an accredited college, business or trade school within the next academic year, have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher and must not have accepted any four-year scholarship such as military academy appointments, ROTC, athletic scholarships or the like.

Welfare grants for nonprofit and for profit organizations

Applications are due March 15 to be considered for funding. Each organization must fill out a questionnaire as well as provide an itemized proposal for funding. Visit www.schofieldspousesclub.com for instructions and an application. Email Dulcie Larson at dulcielarsen@yahoo.com or email huionawahine@gmail.com.

Scholarships

Applications are due March 22; call Michele Prichard at 383-8578 for more information. Applications are available at www.schofieldspousesclub.com and at the following Schofield Barracks locations:

- •Sgt. Yano Library
- Hui Thrift ShopACS Schofield B
- •ACS Schofield Barracks
- •Hui O'Na Wahine luncheons and

•Spouse Information meetings Applications are also available at the Leilehua High School guidance counselor's office.

• www.schofieldspousesclub.com

